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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EAIR, LE

SUBJECT: BOEING INVESTIGATION: JUSTICE DEPARTMENT  
INFORMATION REQUEST

1. DEPARTMENT HAS RECEIVED JUSTICE DEPARTMENT REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE IN BOEING INVESTIGATION, PARTICULARLY REGARDING SALES TO MEA.
2. REQUEST COVERS "ANY INFORMATION IN STATE OR EMBASSY BEIRUT FILES WITH RESPECT TO MEA. SPECIFICALLY,...THE NAMES OF OWNERS, OFFICERS, AND THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE AIRLINE; THE RELATIONSHIP, IF ANY, BETWEEN THE AIRLINE AND THE LEBANESE GOVERNMENT; AND ANY POLITICAL OR GOVERNMENT AFFILIATION AFFECTING ANY OF THE OWNERS, OFFICERS, OR DIRECTORS."
3. IN ADDITION, JUSTICE REQUESTS THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION  
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CONCERNING SHEIK NAJIB ALMEDDIN, THE CHAIRMAN OF MIDDLE EAST AIRLINES; ASAD NASR, THE GENERAL MANAGER OF MIDDLE EAST AIRLINES; HANY SALAAM AND GHASSAN SHAKER, PARTNERS IN TRANS-MED CONSULT; AND ROGER TAMRAZ: A) IDENTIFYING INFORMATION, INCLUDING DATE, PLACE OF BIRTH AND CITIZENSHIP; B) PRESENT ADDRESS AND ANY UNITED STATES ADDRESS; C) VISA DATA SINCE 1972, STATE DEPARTMENT FORM 257; D) PUBLIC IN-

FORMATION CONCERNING OCCUPATION, THE NATURE OF THE BUSINESS,  
AND NAMES AND IDENTITIES OF BUSINESS ASSOCIATES; E) THE

RELATIONSHIP, IF ANY, WITH GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS; AND F)  
ANY PRESENT OR FORMER POSITIONS IN THE GOVERNMENT. ALSO,  
REQUESTED IS ANY PUBLIC INFORMATION IN FILES CONCERNING  
ANY PENDING INVESTIGATION OR CRIMINAL PROCEEDING IN LEBANON  
CONCERNING THE BOEING COMPANY SALES EFFORTS OR ANY OF THE  
ABOVE-NAMED INDIVIDUALS.

4. FINALLY, JUSTICE WOULD LIKE TO CONTACT JAMES LITTRELL  
BELIEVED TO BE AN AMERICAN CITIZEN PRESENTLY RESIDING IN  
BEIRUT.

5. JUSTICE IS NOT REQUESTING THE EMBASSY TO MAKE ANY IN-  
VESTIGATIVE EFFORTS OTHER THAN IN ITS OWN FILES. ANY IN-  
FORMATION RESPONSIVE TO THESE QUESTIONS KNOWN TO EMBASSY  
OFFICERS WOULD BE APPRECIATED. INFORMATION ON HOW JUSTICE  
MIGHT CONTACT JAMES LITTRELL WOULD BE APPRECIATED ASAP, BY  
TELEGRAM. RESPONSES TO OTHER QUESTIONS MIGHT BE PROVIDED  
BY TELEGRAM IF MANAGEABLE WITH COPIES OF THE RELEVANT  
DOCUMENTS FORWARDED BY POUCH TO L/NEA IN THE DEPARTMENT. CHRISTOPHER

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